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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors
Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	10/772,574
Filing Date	February 5, 2004
First Named Inventor	Ronald G. Thieman
Group Art Unit	3721
Examiner Name	Hemant Desai
Attorney Docket Number	3046-274 (15270)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to
June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114**a. ☐ Previously submitted

- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on _____
 ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☐ Enclosed

- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
 ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 iv. ☐ Other _____

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2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☒ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a
period of 3 months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(f) required.

b. Other _____

3. **Fees**

The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

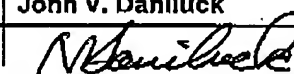
- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to the credit card as shown on the
enclosed Credit Card Payment Form (Form 2038). Any additional fees are authorized to be charged
to or any over payment are to be credited to Deposit Account No. 23-3030.

- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) - \$780
 ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§ 1.136 and 1.17) - \$1020
 iii. ☒ Other fee under 1.17(i) for Suspension of Action - \$130

- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed

- c. ☐ Payment by credit card \$ _____

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being directed to the Commissioner of Patents via facsimile to the Examiner of record at 703-872-9306 on June 6, 2005.

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